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# IN RE REQUESTED FILING OF RULE 1.53(B) CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION BASED ON THE FOLLOWING PENDING PRIOR PATENT APPLICATION:

In re Application of:

James J. Frassica

Serial No.:

09/448,054

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Title:

ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION

SYSTEM

Group Art Unit:

3763

Examiner:

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 1, please insert:

# -- Reference To Pending Prior Patent Application

This is a continuation of pending prior application Serial No. 09/448,054 filed 11/23/99 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM, which in turn is a continuation of prior application Serial No. 08/797,426, filed 02/10/97 by James J. Frassica for ROTATE TO ADVANCE CATHETERIZATION SYSTEM.

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, line 4, please insert:

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